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Shoshana Grove, Secretary

Postal Regulatory Commission

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I am writing to you regarding the closure of the Careywood post office ( Careywood, ID 83809). I am not the sharpest crayon in the box, however, 2 plus 2 is 4. Somehow, someone, somewhere got the idea that it was cost effective to relocate mail services from the Careywood Post Office to the Athol Post Office. However, I wonder how much it shall cost to relocate the Athol Post Office in comparison to maintain services in the Careywood Post Office ?

Has ANYONE involved in making this decision actually visited, let alone utilized either facility to date ? There is inadequate parking at the Athol Post Office BEFORE adding 500 more patrons. If memory serves me correctly, there are seven parking spaces plus one handicapped parking space. I believe that there were approximately 600 patrons before adding the Careywood addressees. What This means is that there was already a horrible lack of parking. It is not feasible to enlarge the parking area on either the North or on the West due to roadway right-of-ways there. To the best of my knowledge, the property owners on both the South and the East were not at all interested in selling their properties.

Can you imagine what a huge mess this will be when there is winter snow and ice ??? There are many senior citizens as well as handicapped patrons. I have an idea that it merely a matter of time before there will be a serious injury or death due to lack of properly maintained facility areas. This brings to mind the ever present ensuing law suits, as well.

For myself personally, I am dealing with the third cancer diagnosis and all that goes with that. Not being able to utilize the Careywood Post Office to mail items or purchase stamps presents an unnecessary burden on both my body and my wallet. I have not been able to work since December, 2014. I think that you would probably notice small expenditures if you had been minus a payday for this length of time. There have been days when just walking across the room is an effort, let alone driving a further 7 miles to the Athol Post Office ... only to find that there is no parking space open... and trying to wade through snow because I parked by the highway.

PLEASE reconsider this action and reopen our local Careywood Post Office.

Thank You.

Sincerely,



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